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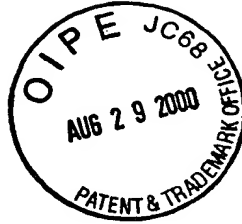
In re patent application of

Fumio OTOMO, *et al.*

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For: INTEGRATED COAL GASIFICATION COMBINED CYCLE POWER
GENERATOR



Group Art Unit: 1764

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action mailed August 1, 2000, Applicants hereby elect the species of Group I, for prosecution in the subject application. Claims 1-15 are readable on the elected species.

Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications covering the non-elected subject matter.

Issue of an Office Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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